



Dear District 10 Friends & Residents,

One of the most significant powers our Federal and State government grants to local cities is the ability to plan and govern local land use decisions. These decisions often effect the environment, traffic and economic development. The policies that guide the City are part of our General Plan. The City is currently in the process of updating our General Plan and it is crucial residents participate in the process if they wish to help shape our community.

On April 10th at 6:30PM at the Almaden Winery Neighborhood Community Center, 5730 Chambertin Dr. San Jose, CA, District 10 will hold its first community meeting for the General Plan update. Please join us!

March was a busy month for land use decisions in District 10. On March 5th I met with the **Graystone Neighborhood Association** about an array of issues, but most notably hillside development. During the last decade several attempts have been made to develop the hillside in the Graystone Neighborhood. After seeing preliminary plans from a developer, the neighborhood and my office organized to protect the hillside. Between my office and the wonderful organization of this neighborhood association, no development will occur on their hillside in the near future. While we were successful this time, I plan to look for a more permanent solution during the General Plan update.

On March 6th the rezoning of the **Almaden Feed and Fuel** property came before the City Council. While this site and building held some historical significance, since its closure it had become an eye sore for many nearby neighbors. After several meetings with the developer and community I put forward a recommendation that I believe is a win-win for everybody. Council unanimously supported my recommendation, which will allow some residential units on the property, while some of the historical significance of the site is retained. Although part of the Feed and Fuel building will be incorporated into the project; the structure will never reopen as a bar.

On March 30th, the Coyote Valley Specific Plan Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was released. This proposed project may have huge impacts on the District 10 community. My office is currently analyzing the DEIR and pulling out items of impact to District 10. Please check my web site at www.sanjoseca.gov/district10 for a comprehensive report from our office in the following weeks.

Best Wishes,

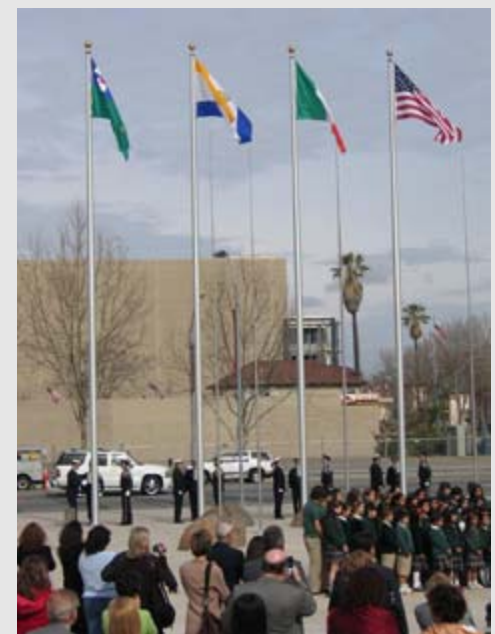
Nancy Pyle
Councilmember, District Ten

April 2007 Issue



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San Jose residents gather in City Hall's Civic Plaza to celebrate our Sister City, Dublin, Ireland, through a flag raising ceremony. Other San Jose sister cities include Okayama, Japan; Pune India; San Jose, Costa Rica; Vera Cruz, Mexico; Tainan, Taiwan; and Ekaterinburg, Russia.

2007-08 BUDGET

On February 20th the City Council, Council Appointees, and Senior Management staff participated in an all day retreat to develop and discuss the City's three-year goals:

- Maintain our status as the safest big city in America.
- Eliminate the structural budget deficit.
- Reduce deferred maintenance and the infrastructure backlog and develop a strategy to improve the infrastructure.
- Increase economic vitality.
- Provide full funding for parks, pools, community centers and libraries, including maintenance operation and development.

On March 9th the Mayor released his Draft Budget Message for City Council approval. The purpose of the budget message is to provide guidance to the City Manager while he prepares the Draft Budget in May. I am happy to say that Mayor Reed included a number of proposals I have been pushing including an improved retail strategy and streamlining the permitting process. The budget message also included:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investing in energy efficiency• Park maintenance improvements• Additional police officers• Solar Power opportunities | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Additional Code Enforcement• New funding for emergency preparedness• Master plan for street improvements |
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On May 1st, the City Manager will release his Draft Proposed Budget based on these recommendations. To ensure that District 10 residents have a chance to weigh-in **I will be hosting the 2nd Annual District 10 Budget/Neighborhood Forum.** Deputy City Manager, Mark Linder will present the City Manager's proposal. After the presentation, Strong Neighborhoods Manager Laura Lam and my Chief of Staff, Leland Wilcox, will lead a discussion and priority setting session with District 10 residents.

**Councilmember Nancy Pyle's
Second Annual
Budget & Neighborhood Forum**

Saturday, May 5th at 10:00 a.m.

**The Almaden Winery Community Center
5730 Chamberlin Dr.**

For more information or directions, please call the District 10 office at (408) 535-4910



Make An Impact in District 10!



Thinking of ways to get involved in our community? For more information please contact the District 10 Office at (408) 535-4910

SAN JOSÉ FAMILY CAMP Where Summer Traditions Start & Last A Lifetime



San Jose Family Camp has just what you're looking for if you want the ultimate family camping experience without the work.

Located in the heart of the Sierras, near Yosemite, SJFC has been a long time tradition for many families. **San Jose Family Camp is located on a scenic 40-acre self contained campground facility with 65 tent cabins with decks for campers**, a dining complex, swimming area, amphitheater, campfire circles and conveniently located restroom/bath units with hot showers. Camp facilities include a softball field, archery range, horseshoe pit, playground, shuffleboard courts and a lodge for special gatherings.



You pick your dates and location when you register. At camp you and your family will receive three meals a day and supervised activities for all ages for one low price. Our enthusiastic staff also facilitate daily organized recreational activities for the whole family including: gold panning, archery, softball, crafts, fishing, carnivals, casino nights and bingo. We know you won't be disappointed!

Citywide Update

• Go Green Mini Grants

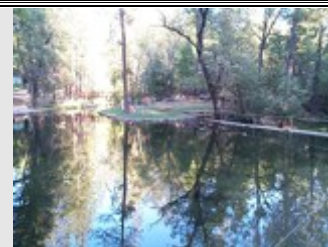
Thirty-four schools received the program's first annual mini grant awards of \$500 to \$2,000 each for a total of \$46,000. Joint funding came from Keep San Jose Beautiful and the Environmental Services Department with additional funding from District One for projects in that area. Among the successful projects are school gardens, recycling projects, environmental field trips and assemblies, teacher training, environmental education, and reimbursement for science camp expenses.

• Graffiti Survey

In January, staff conducted an annual survey of graffiti tags which resulted in the identification of 2,594 tags. This is a significant increase from last year's survey of 129 tags. Changes in policy, procedures and staffing levels within the City, as well as by outside partners within the County, may have contributed to this increase. A meeting of affected stakeholder groups will be held in the next several weeks to review the data and to develop an appropriate plan of action. An overview of this plan will be forwarded to the City Council via an informational memo within the next 45 days.

• Emergency Preparedness Updates

On March 3, staff taught the new 2-hour emergency preparedness class to 14 residents thus concluding the pilot phase to test the new curriculum. Next steps include translating and publishing the class in Spanish and Vietnamese and recruitment of volunteer instructors. Interested volunteers should call 277-4598 or email sjprepared@sanjoseca.gov.



So How Do I Get Involved?

- **Apr. 9** Mail-in applications received on or after this date will be randomly processed
- **May 8** Walk-In and Fax-In Registration begins
- **June 15** Summer season begins
- **Aug. 12** End of Summer season
- **Aug. 17-19** New Mini weekend

Visit the [SJ Family Camp website](http://www.sjfamilycamp.org) or call **408.277.4666** for more information!

VOLUNTEER AT SAN JOSÉ FAMILY CAMP

Are you looking for a great summer job? Need to get away?

SJ Family Camp is also now hiring counselors, cooks, lifeguards etc. for the summer season. These jobs are live-in positions, all meals are provided, and the camp is located only 11 miles away from Yosemite!

For more information, please visit <http://jobs.cityofsj.org/> or call the camp office at **408.277.4666**.

District 10 Announcements, Highlights & Events

Councilmember Nancy Pyle hosts the **3rd Annual District 10 Youth Summer Job Fair**

Saturday, April 21

Westfield Oakridge at the Target entrance to the Mall



"I'm extremely excited about this partnership between my office, Westfield, Work2Future and the high schools in District 10. This Job Faire is a wonderful way to benefit the youth within our community and support the strong businesses which need skilled employees in order to succeed."

~ Councilmember Nancy Pyle

San Jose City Councilmember Nancy Pyle is pleased to announce that her office has teamed with **David Burke, General Manager of Westfield Oakridge Mall**, and **Work2Future** (formerly the Silicon Valley Workforce Investment Network) to host the 3rd Annual District 10 Youth Summer Job Fair on Saturday, April 21st.

10:00am to Noon – Workshop featuring Work2Future

- Learn how to fill out a job application and have a successful job interview!

1:00pm to 3:00pm – Job Faire!

The Friends of the Almaden Library Invite You to a Spring Book Sale

Wonderful book bargains will once again be available at the **Friends of the Almaden Library Spring Book Sale to be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 21** in the Community Room of the Almaden Library/Community Center.

While bargains are available all day, a special bonanza is available from 2 to 3 p.m., during which time a large grocery bag filled with as much as it will hold goes for only \$5. The only exceptions are the "Special Pricing" books, such as coffee table art books, autographed copies, or first editions. Those will remain priced as marked.

All proceeds from the Friends book sales go to support programs and services of the Almaden branch library, such as author visits, summer reading programs for children, and special materials. Please come out and support your library!

The Almaden Library and Community Center is located at 6445 Camden Ave. Please call (408) 808-3040 for more information.

Businesses include:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Albertsons• California Pizza Kitchen• City of San – Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services• PW Supermarket | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safeway• SaveMart• South Valley YMCA• Tuxedo Warehouse• Westfield Oakridge merchants and representatives |
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For more information regarding the District 10 Youth Summer Job Fair please contact Councilmember Nancy Pyle's office at (408) 535-4910.

District 10 is proud to be a participating organization in
**Carry the Vision 2007- A Community Nonviolence Conference
& Youth Leadership Summit**

**Saturday, April 21
from 9 am - 5 pm
@ Evergreen Valley College,
San Jose**



Now in its fifth year, the Carry the Vision Community Conference (as part of the international grassroots educational campaign, *A Season for Nonviolence*), gathers hundreds of people from diverse sectors of the community who share a common goal: to **overcome violence by the power of nonviolence** and realize the potential for our human family to build a world that supports the well being of all. As a conference participant you will be prepared to carry this vision of what is possible with you and know how to *begin to realize it*.

Keynote speakers include Yolanda King, the eldest daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and **Azim Khamisa**, author of *Azim's Bardo - From Murder to Forgiveness - A Father's Journey*, which tells the tale of his son's murder and reaching out in forgiveness to the grandfather of his son's killer, who now works with him to find innovative solutions to prevent youth violence.

Come join us as our office participates in a youth leadership summit, workshops & panels, a powerful dialogue process, music and Langar (a traditional Sikh meal). **On site registration begins at 8 am, \$25 general admission (\$30 at the door) and \$10 for students.**

For more information please call **408-535-4908** or visit www.carrythevision.org



Sunday April 29th, 2007

**Pat Tillman Stadium at
Leland High School**

**4.2 Mile Run/Walk
and .42 Mile Kids Run**

Registrations are being accepted for the second annual Pat's Run, Sunday, April 29, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. at Leland High School, to celebrate the life of San Jose native Pat Tillman.

City Wide Phone List

Call Center	535-3500
Police Non-Emergency	311
Anti-Graffiti/Litter	277-3208
Animal Care	578-7297
City Arborist	277-2762
Crime Prevention	277-4133
Crime Stoppers	947-STOP
Drug Hotline	971-DRUG
DOT	277-4373
Environmental Services	535-8550
Hazardous Materials	277-4659
Housing	535-3860
Neighborhood Development Center	723-4114
Parking Enforcement	534-2900
Vehicle Abatement	277-5305
Gang Hotline	293-4264

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The 4.2 mile run / walk will finish on the 42-yardline of Pat Tillman Stadium, where Tillman was a fan-favorite as a Leland Charger, prior to gaining notoriety as a scholar-athlete at Arizona State University and the NFL. **Participants can register online at www.patsrun.com (until April 25) or at the Running Revolution (511 E. Campbell Ave., in Campbell) April 26 and 27, and at Leland High School on April 28. The event also features a .42 mile kids run that is free for kids age 12 and under, as well as a free kids activity area.**

Last year, the inaugural Pat's Run drew 4,000 participants. The event raises funds for the Pat Tillman Foundation, a nonprofit organization that carries forward Tillman's legacy through leadership programs in San Jose high schools. The Pat Tillman Foundation's flagship program, "Leadership Through Action" at the W.P. Carey School of Business at ASU, enhances the leadership skills of carefully selected "Tillman Scholars." The program helps guide the students to identify their passions and develop solutions to society's problems.



The second annual Pat's Run is sponsored by the San Jose Sharks, San Jose Giants, ALO, KBAY, MIX 106 and NBC 11. For more information or to sign up , visit www.patsrun.com or call (408) 507-6754.

Neighborhood Center

Hoffman Via Monte Neighborhood Center Grand Opening!

Councilmember Nancy Pyle cordially invites you to attend the grand opening of the **Pat Dando Hoffman Via Monte Community Center** (1180 Blossom Road, #2 San Jose , CA 95118) **on Saturday, April 14 th, 2007 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm.** Please call Stephanie Holm at (408) 535-4982 for more information

District 10's New Issue Tracking System Has Arrived!

This month the District 10 office is launching a new issue tracking system which will allow residents in District 10 to electronically log issues and concerns with our office. In the past it has been necessary to either call the District 10 office or send an e-mail to our general account. **This new state-of-the-art issue tracking system will not only allow you to report an issue at any time, with any computer that has internet access, it will also allow you to personally track the progress of your issue in our office.**

Immediately after you send in your concern, this new system will send out a response letting you know that Councilmember Pyle's office has received it. Assigning you to the office staff member who can most readily respond to your concern, this individual will become your direct contact on the issue until its resolution. Through our interactive online system, not only will you be notified when the status of your issue has changed, but you will actually be able to view a record of all your e-mail interactions with our office. Providing the convenience of direct communication along with the greater ability of Councilmember Pyle's staff to stay on top of your toughest concerns and issues, we are excited to introduce this new way of working with residents. **To experience this system for yourself, visit the District 10 website and click on our issue tracking button on the right side of the main page.**

Or [click here](#) to sign up and start utilizing this bold new way of resolving the issues that matter most to you!

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Community Calendar April 2007

*In our world this month there will be a presidential election in Nigeria; **on the 26th America commemorates the 400th anniversary of its first English settlement at Jamestown, Virginia;** and Nicholas Negroponte's One Laptop per Child project starts the sale to developing countries, initially for about \$100 dollars.*

Mon., Apr. 9th: 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Almaden Valley Community Association (AVCA)
Almaden Community Center; 6445 Camden Ave.

Wed., Apr. 11th: 6:00 – 7:30 pm
Hoffman Via Monte Neighborhood Association
Topic: Programming the Pat Dando Hoffman Via Monte Community Center
Hoffman Via Monte Neighborhood Center
(1180 Blossom Hill Road, #2)

Wed., Apr. 11th: 7:30 - 8:30 pm
Montevideo Homeowners' Association Monthly Meeting
Corner of Coleman and Camden, in the clubhouse behind the pool

Thurs., Apr. 12th: 7:00 -8:30 pm
[Santa Teresa Foothills](#) Neighborhood Association
Southside Community Center, 5585 Cottle Road



The Almaden Sonoma Chicken Coop will be opening its doors in May!

Get ready to welcome a new neighborhood restaurant to Almaden Valley. The grand opening of the Sonoma Chicken Coop is expected to take place on or around May 1st of this year! Visit the District 10 website in late April or call our office for updates on the date of the Grand Opening.

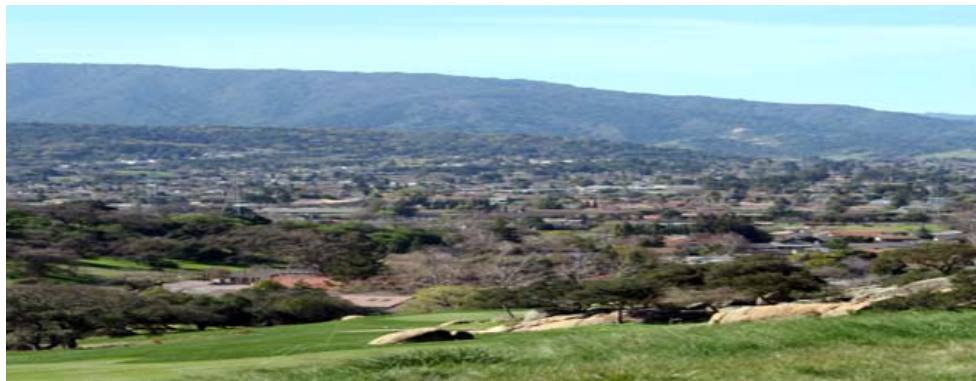
City Council Meetings

The City Council convenes every Tuesday at 1:30 PM at 200 East Santa Clara Street. On the first and third Tuesday of the month the Council meets at 7:00 PM for Public Hearings. Meetings can also be viewed on the web at www.sanjoseca.gov or on the City cable TV station, Channel 26/26A.



Councilmember Pyle stands with the members of Leland High School's Leland Bridge Parent Group at the Mayor's State of the City Address. As recipients of the Mayor's Good Neighbor Award for District 10, the Leland Bridge group has raised over \$80,000 dollars for Leland High School programs and facilities since its founding in 2001. The group was created as a way to bridge the cultural gap between the Leland High School administration and Leland's Chinese parents and students. In addition to their fundraising, Leland Bridge also regularly publishes a Chinese language newsletter and hosts an annual Leland Bridge Night, which highlights Chinese culture, student talent and Leland Charger spirit!

"Treat the earth well. It was not given to you by your parents. It was loaned to you by your children."
~ Kenyan Proverb



Mon., Apr. 16th: 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Coyote Valley Task Force

City Call Wing Room 118, 119 & 120
200 East Santa Clara Street

Wed., Apr. 18th: 5:00 – 7:00 PM

D10 Youth Advisory Council

Almaden Community Center; 6445 Camden Ave

Wed., Apr. 18th: 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Hoffman Via Monte Neighborhood Action Coalition Monthly Meeting

Almaden Hills United Methodist Church; 1200 Blossom Hill Road

Tues., Apr. 24th, 7:30 - 9:00 pm

VEP Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting

Vista Park Community Room (Hyde Park Dr. & New Compton Drive)

Fri. Apr. 28th: 9:00 – 11:00 am

West Valley Senior Walk

Valley Fair Mall

Sun., Apr. 29th. 8:00 am

Pat Tillman Run

Leland High School; 6677 Camden Avenue

Wed., May 2nd: 9:45 - 11:00 am

Almaden Senior Association Monthly Meeting

Almaden Community Center; 6445 Camden Avenue

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Montevideo Homeowners' Association Monthly Meeting

Corner of Coleman and Camden, in the clubhouse behind the pool

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D10 Youth Advisory Council Meeting

Almaden Community Center; 6445 Camden Avenue

Sat., May 5th: 10:00 am – 12 pm

2nd Annual Council District 10 Budget Forum

Almaden Winery Community Center; 5730 Chambertin Drive

Mon., May 7th: 7:00 pm – 9 pm

Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association General Meeting

Sakamoto Elementary School
3280 Shadelands Drive
San Jose, CA 95123

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